14th Karkadagam 1101 drawing attention among other things to the scandals regarding the school?

(b) If so, will the Government be pleased to state what action, if any, was taken in the matter? If no action has been taken, will the Government be pleased to state the reasons for the silence?

Mr. C. Matthai.—(a) Yes.

(b) Vide answer to part (2) of question No. 37.

39. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the President of the Narakkal Panchayat visited the Narakkal Girls' School on behalf of the Panchayat, and reported to the Inspectress, pointing out certain wants of the school, and is it a fact that the Inspectress without even acknowledging the receipt of the communication wrote to the Director that Panchayats should not be allowed to interfere in administrative details?

Mr. C. Matthai.—Yes; the Inspectress received the President's letter, and forwarded it to the Director for necessary action.

An archaeological survey.

40. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) was there ever an archaeological survey in the Cochin State;

(2) if not, will the Government be pleased to undertake one;

(3) if so, will the Government be pleased to begin the same from Tiruvanchikulam?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—(1) The Government have been attending to the workof archaeological researches and preserving monuments of historical and archaeological interest. Lists of such monuments in the State were got prepared by the officers of the Land Revenue and Forest Departments in 1077, and the procedure for the preservation of new archaeological finds laid down in Article 320 of *the Land Revenue Manual.*

2. The Government have appointed Mr. K. Rama Pisharodi to attend to the work. A copy of the Diwan's Proceedings dated 26th October 1924, C. No. 5684/97, is laid on the table. (*Vide Appendix V.*)

3. Yes.

The inspection of malarial tracts.

41. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.— Now that Major Ross is shortly expected at Madras, will the Government be pleased

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APPENDIX V.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 40.)

Proceedings of the Diwan of Cochin.

Local and Miscellaneous Department.

(*Miscellaneous*).

Read again Diwan's Proceedings C. No 5684/97, dated 22nd December 1923, regarding the archaeological inscriptions existing in the State.

Read also subsequent correspondence ending with the Sarvadhikariakar's communication A. No. 231/1100, dated 13th October 1924.

Order dated 26th October 1924, R. O. C. No. 5684 of 1097.

Government consider that the work of archaeological researches in the State hitherto done desultorily should be seriously taken up and completed. They accordingly are pleased to appoint Mr. K. Rama Pisharodi, M. A., the Head master of the Sanskrit School, to attend to the work in addition to his own duties. For doing the work he will be given an allowance of Rs 20 per mensem for one year in addition to his pay, and he will be required to go out on investigation and inspection during school holidays and school vacation.

2. Mr. Rama Pisharodi will submit for the approval of Government a programme of the work he proposes to do.

3. The Diwan Peishkar and the Devaswam Superintendent will issue instructions to their subordinates to render Mr. Pisharodi all reasonable help that he may stand in need of, both in prosecuting his research work and in collecting information in connection therewith.

4. To meet the additional expenditure involved a sum of Rs. 500 will be sanctioned under a new sub-head "Archaeology" under "29—Scientific, etc., Departments" of which the drawing officer will be the Superintendent of Stamps.

(True extract)

P. DAMODARA MENON,

Secretary to the Diwan.

To

Mr. K. Rama Pisharodi with a copy of the list of the inscriptions furnished by the Tahsildars.

The Diwan Peishkar.
The Devaswam Superintendent.
The Director of Public Instruction.
The Comptroller of Accounts.
The Superintendent of Stamps.
Copy to the Sarvadhikariakar.
Do Agent to the Governor General (with covering letter).
Do Rev. M. P. Petros, B. A., B. D. L. T.,
Do Superintendent, Archaeological Survey, Southern Circle, Kottagiri.
Do V. K. Raman Menon, Esq., M. A. (Oxon), Bar-at-Law.
Do Komattil Achyuta Menon Esq., B. A. & B. L., Chief Court Vakil, Trichur.
Do T. K. Krishna Menon Esq., Vakil, Ernakulam.
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